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In re application of

Van Riet, Egbert Jan

Serial No. 10/520,606

Filed: 16 January 2005

CHOKE FOR CONTROLLING THE FLOW

OF DRILLING MUD

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Group Art Unit: 3672

Examiner: Matthew J Smith

October 9, 2007

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 11 JULY 2007

Dear Sir:

Attorney for Applicant in the above-captioned application hereby responds to the Office Action mailed 11 July 2007. At the time the Office Action issued, claims 2-7 and 9-12 were pending.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims. A listing of the claims as they currently stand begins on page 7.

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